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WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. An image reading apparatus comprising two different reading systems constituted by a reading system in which an original is fixed on an original glass plate and an optical system scans the original to read image information, and a reading system in which an optical system is fixed and image information is read while moving the original, characterized in that

an original illumination system, different from an original illumination system that illuminates the original placed on the original glass plate, is arranged above a scan flow glass member arranged on substantially the same plane as that of the original glass plate and used when reading image information while moving the original, an original convey device is formed to move the original above said different original illumination system, the original which is being conveyed is directly illuminated by said different original illumination system, and switching

20 means is provided for switching a focal surface of the original.

2. The apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said switching means is capable of switching a focal surface between a position on said original glass plate and a position on an original convey surface which is directly illuminated by said different illumination system.

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- 3. The apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said switching means switches the focal surface by retreating said optical system that scans the original placed on said original glass plate and inserting a movable mirror in an optical path.
- 4. The apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said switching means integrates an imaging lens and line sensor to form a unit, and moves the unit in a direction of optical axis, thereby switching the focal surface.